

Virginia woman lawyer Addresses meeting of N.O.W.

by Gwen Phillips

"We won't solve the problems until we stop brainwashing our two-year olds," Elise Heinz, a Virginia lawyer, stressed at the National Organization of Women meeting Monday night in ACL.

Addressing the second meeting of the Fredericksburg NOW chapter, the Harvard Law School graduate discussed the implications and ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. She explained the proposed amendment and described the events in the women's liberation movement since the suffrage act of the 1920s.

She emphasized that many suffrage leaders realized that the 19th amendment would not sufficiently guarantee women equal protection of the law. Since 1923, she noted, an equal rights amendment in some form has been introduced to every session of congress.

Heinz, with long dark hair pulled back, spoke to approximately 75 college to middle-age women. Arranged throughout the room on posters were quotes from various women illustrating her point. One poster bore "Less than 5 percent of all women full time workers earned 10,000 yearly compared with 35 percent of the male workers." Another read "Women with four or more years of college education make only slightly more than males with an 7th grade education." A small sign stressed in large letters "Sisterhood is Powerful."

Though the 14th amendment grants all people equal protection of the law, there has been a long history of laws treating males and females differently. Historically, women have been considered as chattels, she noted, and frequently could not own property or receive income from property.

In order for changes to occur law suits must be brought before the courts. Sex discrimination cases require the challenger to demonstrate that no reasons other than sex exist for the discrimination. The state must then intervene and the defendants are often able to prove other reasons, thus the women usually lose their cases. In only two cases involving women's equality have the plaintiffs won, once in 1971 and again in 1973.

The courts are struggling to define the words "equal protection of the law" and "due process," she commented. Sen. Sam Irving of North Carolina, she noted, was opposed to the amendment on the grounds he wanted women to remain on their pedestals. Irving agreed, however, to exempt women from the military service.

Citing other implications of the ERA, Heinz stated that many people oppose the ratification on misguided conclusions. As an example, she stressed the idea of having to forego separate toilet facilities that many people fear. The amendment, she explained, does not contain such absolutes. The ERA will not change the lifestyle, she noted, but will merely "do away with the gross discriminations and consequently guarantee that they will stay away."

The primary reason the amendment has not been ratified in Virginia, according to Heinz, is that the General Assembly is conservative in the sense that they do not want to change unless they have to. She also explained that many of the legislators believe that the laws which many women consider discriminatory are actually designed to protect them. Another obstacle facing ratification, she remarked, is that too many people do not consider ERA an important issue and it may be a vote they are willing to trade.



Elise Heinz, addresses the Fredericksburg Chapter of N.O.W. at their meeting last Monday night.
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Don Byrd hikes Trail

by Cindy Coleman

With the coming of summer, more and more people were finding themselves out of doors. This was especially true for Donald Byrd, Assistant Professor of Geography at Mary Washington, who back packed parts of the Appalachian Trail last summer. He now rests comfortably in his office with a proud feeling of achievement.

Byrd divided his summer into four separate trips of exploring along the 2,015 mile Appalachian Trail, three hiking and one driving a four wheel drive land cruiser. Byrd did not back pack all of the trail. He went 350 miles in 35 days on separate occasions; not including the 100 miles covered in his cruiser.

Byrd's journey began with five days of exploration along the seashore of Ocracoke Island, North Carolina. He later picked up the Appalachian Trail at Springer Mountain, Georgia. From there, with a 76-pound back pack, he hiked to the North Carolina border.

After hitch hiking to the Great Smokey National Park he tracked toward Virginia where he met a Mary Washington student and together they made a 100 mile journey to Pearisburg. With this accomplished, Byrd returned to Ocracoke Island with his cruiser. He drove along the outer beach from there to Sandridge, Virginia.

The hiking posed no real dangers, according to Byrd. He saw a few animals, such as bears, snakes, and boars

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Bicycle registration for Mary Washington students was held on Sept. 4, 5 and 11 at the Office of Security in ACL. According to Chief Medford Haynes, 271 bikes were registered.
(Photo by Terrie Powers)

Student writes and publishes Science fiction magazine

By Tracy Burke

Ron Baker, a 19-year-old, quiet and seemingly reserved Mary Washington student published his own magazine this summer and presented it at the National Science Fiction Convention in Washington, D. C. Sept. 1.

"I'd been thinking of putting out a magazine for three or four years," said Baker. He added that recently, by using funds he had set aside for college tuition, he gambled his money on putting the issue together.

Baker, a Soph. from Warrenton, Va., worked on the magazine while he attended summer school at MWC. According to Steve Jackson, a student who attended summer school with Baker, a month of strenuous work was devoted to the magazine. "He did it alone," said Jackson. "The thing that got to us was his dedication." Jackson reported that Baker worked all night on the magazine at times, and still handled classes and a part-time job as a motel desk clerk.

Baker said that he was interested in putting out a magazine with the quality of science fiction and the layout that he had missed seeing in other magazines of this type. Baker's magazine is called "Syzzy," an astronomical term meaning union or combination. Baker said he heard the word first as the name of a record store in Massachusetts. "The name intrigued me," he said.

Baker said he is counting on sales of the 500 copies he had printed to get back the approximately \$700 he has invested in the magazine. He said that since the science fiction convention, a bookstore in San Diego, Cal. has expressed an interest in the magazine, and he has sent sample copies to bookstores and book dealers in Washington, D. C. He also has sold several copies on campus, "although I didn't intend to market it on campus," said Baker.

Two Mary Washington students contributed works to the magazine, and for the next issue that Baker is now working on, he said he would like to get more student contributions. He said he pays for articles according to what he thinks they are worth.

Leadership

Mahon discusses Year ahead

by Mary Beth Donahue

"I think if any college in Virginia can handle extended visitation it is Mary Washington," said Mary Mahon, executive chairman of the student association. William & Mary and University of Virginia are two Virginia schools who have had many problems with their visitation policies. Mahon does not foresee the same problems for Mary Washington since the student body is more homogeneous in makeup although maybe not in outlook.

"I feel very enthusiastic and think that with the cabinet working in conjunction with the students and administration something can be accomplished this year," said Mahon speaking of extended visitation hours. "I shy away from using the term 24 hour visitation because right now it is illegal," said Mahon. "We have to be very careful when discussing this issue." Mahon feels that a test case of one or two dorms would be unfair. Rather, she predicts a reevaluation and extension of hours on the campus as a whole.

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Williamson to head Anthropology department

by Tracy Burke

Anthropology has taken on new life at Mary Washington College with the hiring this year of the first full-time assistant anthropology professor.

Margaret Williamson said she was hired with intentions of setting up an anthropology department if there is sufficient demand for it.

"I understand last year we lost four or five people because there was no major here," Williamson said. She added that she intends to build a department slowly, first concentrating on an interdepartmental major. She said she counts on seeing more professors added to form a department.

New anthropology courses being offered by Williamson this year include an introductory course, a study of North American Indians and a course in comparative cognition (which is the study of how categorizing evolves). For the past 25 years, Clyde Carter, the chairman of the sociology department, taught the only anthropology course offered at MWC. This course used to be a requirement for sociology majors.

Williamson has been abroad for the past five years working for her doctorate degree at Oxford University in England. She spent last year along the Cepik River in New Guinea studying the life and culture of the natives. She now is completing her studies through Oxford.

Approximately 60 or 70 students are enrolled in anthropology courses at MWC, according to Williamson, and she predicts that the number will increase. Many of her students are sociology, art and American Studies majors. "I have one course that includes mainly freshmen," she said, although the majority of her students are juniors and seniors. She said that she expects more freshmen to sign up for anthropology because an introduction to the field is beginning to enter the high school curriculums.

"Anthropology means getting inside people's minds," said Williamson. "Not only anthropologists, but also novelists like Tolstoy get inside minds," she added. She said she feels psychologists and biologists are limited in their scopes. "It's the metaphysical and philosophical that interest me," she stated and defined anthropology as putting all the dimensions together.

Career futures in anthropology might include working with archeology, the way of life and the position of women in museums or in specialized areas such as in New Guinea. She is to be the first Aborigine culture in Australia, according to Williamson. Only in graduate seminars starting in October.

Williamson, from the Eastern Shore of Pennsylvania, completed her Bachelor's degree at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania. "I am still working on analyzing school specialization in geographical areas done, she added. "Then I completed my Arts degree at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania," she said.



Williamson discusses plans for a new Anthropology department.

(Photo by Fay Jones)

P.E. department concern Over male enrollment

by Karen Jones

Several needs and controversies have arisen from the co-ed Physical Education classes. What courses and facilities can be added to keep the Mary Washington men fit and content? What sort of problems do they have in the classes?

The male enrollment in P.E. courses this semester has dropped since last semester. This trend is predictable because many men have fulfilled their P.E. requirement. Approximately 40 men are enrolled this semester. The popular sports for the men are tennis, karate, archery and swimming. Last year volleyball was very popular. Folk dance, modern dance and gymnastics each has one male enrollee.

How do the men fare in predominantly female classes?

Little Awkward

Pat Harvey from intermediate swimming says, "It was a little awkward for the first day or so, but I got used to it." "In most gym classes," states Nancy Dosch, Instructor in Health, Physical Education and Recreation, "the guys are alone. It is tough for them because they have an image to maintain, especially in swimming."

Tennis is a co-ed sport and is more popular among men. Alvin Wilson has a "small class and that helps."

Karate classes

Alan Schwalbe has been attending the karate classes for three years. "There are more women than guys in the class, therefore, Mr. Hong (the Instructor) doesn't work us as hard. When the University of Virginia guys come down to work out, they are in much better condition. Karate keeps me loose. It is the best thing that happened to me. It is basic, clean, competitive, working for yourself and it helps me to grow physically and mentally."

Some are hoping to begin team sports for the Mary Washington men such as, football, soccer, wrestling, and others. Mary Washington has in the past, and still does, emphasize the individual sport. At present, the men can join any sport except hockey, which is strictly a

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Drama department

Prepares for October play

by Kathy Pearson

From October 16 to October 20, Mary Washington's drama department will be staging Jean Giraudoux's play, "The Madwoman of Chaillot." Performances will coincide with Parent's Weekend.

The play opens at a cafe under the flowering linden on the Champs-Elysees. A corporate conspiracy is in the making. At the drawing board are the president — Bud Helman, the prospector — Dale McPherson and the Baron — David Featherston.

The play is passing by in the streets outside. The lead, Countess Aurelia, played by Debra Yindra later enters all decked out in bustles and bows. She is first confronted with the forces of evil by Roger Kevin, Chairman of the drama department, the rag-picker, an associate of the villains.

By his inspiration, the madwoman makes her own plans to meet together with other "Folles" (Madwomen) for confidences and confabulations. In a typical Parisian manner she is to represent the sort of insanity that turns things of this world into objects of goodness and beauty.

The play will be enacted in the late thirties. The Madwoman of Chaillot is being done as a period piece with realistic costuming staged by Barbara Buchanan. The whimsical set will be designed by Barbara O'Brien and brought to light by Lynne Hartman.

The director, Dennis DaLuiso, has cited that plays of the past have not yet lent themselves to the fanciful costuming, though realistic, and poetic setting of the soon to exist, La Folie.

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Co-education

Mahon sees both sides of the issue of increasing the ratio of male students at Mary Washington and is not ready to make a decision one way or the other. "It is a really complex issue and will involve a lot of talk between students, faculty, and administration, with each group having their say," said Mahon.

She does feel that a definite policy should be established that outlines the college's goals and outlooks toward co-education. "My understanding was that when the HEW directive came in 1970 to go coed there was no time to develop a long range plan," said Mahon.

50 percent

"With the current demand for education the way it is, to talk about being 50 percent male is quite conceivably to be talking

about a complete change in the academic face of Mary Washington said Mahon, pointing out that a straight liberal arts program is not as attractive to a male student as a B. S. in business.

Mahon also mentioned that the Mary Washington charter states that the college is primarily a women's college and there would have to be some changes in Richmond before the college could become equally female and male. "One reason a lot of

people come here is because it is predominantly female," said Mahon.

Male Enrollment

Mahon sees increased male enrollment as a way of strengthening the pre-med course and improving students' chances of medical school acceptances. "It would take some pressure off the University of Virginia's enrollment figures and enhance our reputation," said Mahon.

"I'd like to see increased male enrollment proceed at a quicker clip," said Mahon. "It seems dragged out, although the number of residential male students went from 28 to 40 — almost double from last year."

Of the five member executive committee, there are four seniors and only one junior on the council this year and Mahon foresees some problems in the transition of new student leaders. To prevent this, elections will be held early in the second semester on February 12. "I set an early date for two reasons," said Mahon. "One, I did foresee some transitional bumps and would like to give the new cabinet the entire spring to get a feel of the responsibility of the office. The second reason is purely selfish; I have held the office for a long time and I'm a little tired."

Student's Role

Regarding the students' role,

Mahon feels there will be a resurgence in campus life both academically and socially. "Ours was probably the last class to come to college because it was the thing to do. The students coming now have made definite decisions and are more concerned with their future aspirations," said Mahon.

Mahon feels that students are interested in what the student government is doing even if they do not wish to be individually involved. "There is more questioning of the aims and goals of their student leaders," said Mahon. "I am stopped often. Students vocalize their concerns a lot now."

S. A. Concerns

Mahon cites the extension of visitation hours as the biggest concern of the S.A. The S.A. is also continuing work on course evaluations and more contact with the department student representatives. Mahon said that the Student Association Whip is going to look at co-education with regards to a specific administration policy and the Senate will continue work on the C Shoppe and game room and plans to co-sponsor with Class Council one or two more concerts. Plans are being developed to set up a counseling service on a regular basis and have library hours extended during exam periods.

"My policy has been to stay out of the cabinet members' way so they can do things their way," said Mahon. "I've tried to leave them on their own and I've been very pleased."

With regard to the new president of Mary Washington Mahon feels Woodard will be very good for the college. She is pleased especially with his openness in dealing with students and his general outlook.

"I think the board has made a fabulous choice," said Mahon. "It may be hard for the students to get used to seeing the president walking around campus but I think it's great."



Mary Mahon . . . "I foresee some transitional bumps."

(Photo by Terrie Powers)

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women's contact sport like football for men. One instructor says that hockey is just not an appropriate activity for the men.

Wearing bathing caps is a rather ambiguous and ironic topic in the co-ed swim classes. The women must wear caps regardless of the length of their hair. The men are required to wear caps if their hair is shoulder length or longer.

There is discrepancy between instructors as to whether short haired women wear caps or not.

Long Hair

"There is the old concept that the women had long hair and the men had short hair. It is not a matter of discrimination of any one group but of hair length. The longer the hair the more tendency it has to get caught in the filters," states Mildred A.

Drosté, Dean of Students and swimming instructor.

"We are striving for a male instructor in the this department," states Miriam Greenberg, Associate Professor of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. "I have been trying for five years. Numbers of applicants have written in for positions here. It would really stimulate this school."

When the men were asked if they preferred male instructors, most of them replied that it really does not matter. The sports courses they are taking have competent instructors, they agreed.

"The conversion of the locker room is an emergency and cannot be put off," states Greenberg. The men have only one small locker room which is

located on the natatorium floor in Goolrick. An adjoining lounge has been converted into a locker room, but it is still cramped.

A partition is soon to be installed to section off a third of the women's large dressing room in the bottom of Goolrick to create another men's locker room. This would increase the shower facilities, for the men from 2 to 12.

Plans for a weight room began three years ago with a survey of the male students to find out what kind of equipment was desirable for exercising. Some examples are bar bells and heavy lat machine.

The request amounted to \$1,298 and has gone up \$300 in the past few years. The equipment has been ordered and is due to arrive in late September. When it does arrive, it will go into an exercise room and be made available when the building is open. So far, only the barbells have arrived.

Scuba diving was offered several years ago for not credit and was very successful, except for its expense.

Last year, the National Geographic advertised the services of an instructor through Indiana University who needed to teach to keep his teaching certificate. Last semester, such a class was approved and set up, but there was no word from the instructor and the class fell through. The course would have cost \$20 per student. Efforts are still being made to find the instructor, but are to no avail.

The P.E. department is "100 percent in favor of building its program," according to Greenberg. The need is even greater with the growing number of male enrollees. Greenberg, said, "Improvements don't happen overnight and we still have Richmond to contend with."

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Editorial

Chance exists For student leadership

This is the year of opportunity at Mary Washington. Over the last four years the fabric of this college's student leadership has broken down. Today, there is a need in Mary Washington's student government and newspaper for innovative students who want real responsibility.

Over the past several years, there has not been a drive to get students involved in either student government or the newspaper. Because of this, the system has weakened. In the student government, the leadership is predominantly upperclassmen and the transition will not be easy next year, as much of this year's leadership graduates.

The student government and newspaper are as vital to a college as are classroom courses. Student government and newspaper are living laboratories for the student to test her/his capabilities in leadership and innovation. Most important, there is the chance for the student to apply classroom knowledge.

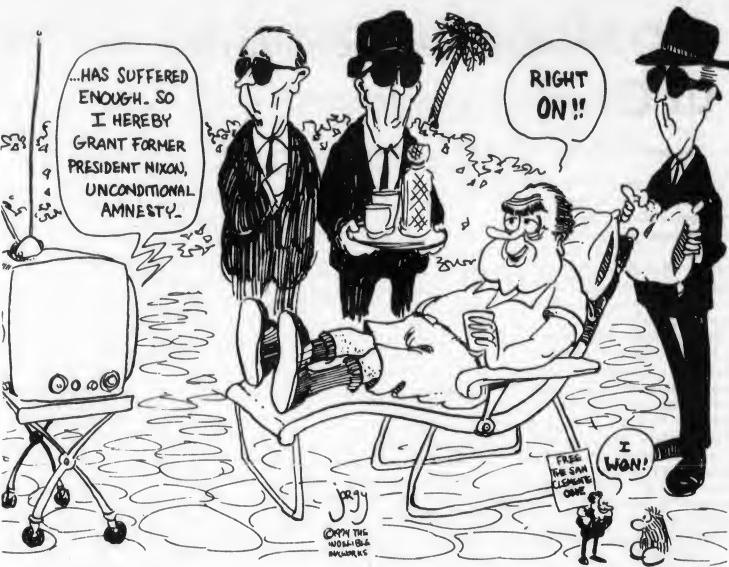
If the drop in interest in student government and newspaper are because of the so-called student apathy in extra-curricular activities, (on this college campus it could be argued that it is the fault of past and present student leadership in not pushing for student participation) this seems to be a mis-guided application of the term.

Student government and newspaper are learning experiences. Student leadership is a time for the student to learn as much as she/he will learn in any classroom. Student government and newspaper are vital learning centers on any campus. Disinterest in these two areas signifies not apathy but rather a disinterest in a legitimate form of college learning.

It is mandatory that present student leaders make immediate efforts to strengthen the system of student leadership at Mary Washington. Student leadership must again look toward the years ahead and recognize that the patterns and leadership of the college for the future is secure because of their actions today.

Students who are interested in student leadership should take action and get involved. The college community today needs them and Mary Washington of tomorrow needs them. Perhaps the greatest benefit is to the individual student who gains by the test of her/his capabilities in action.

J.M.



The American sexual fantasy And women's liberation

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By Linda Cayton

In this modern age of bra burning, abortion on demand and the sexual revolution, nothing turns a man's head like a "liberated" woman. The days of the coy, flirtatious sweet young thing are over. The well-scrubbed, all-American dimpled cheerleader no longer serves as the object of the Standard American sexual fantasy.

Men often identify the liberation of women with sexual freedom. After all, the most popular feminist activity over the last few years, in the male

view, has been the great bra burning. And liberated women tend to be more secure in and open about their sexuality.

Cinematic Venus

Today's cinematic Venus is an update of that "blue-jeaned baby-queen," hair long and straight, nipples showing seductively through a sheer halter.

It is easy for men to applaud this Helen Gurley Brown version of femininity, in which modern woman is "liberated" from the drudgeries of housework so that she may develop as a total sensual being. A man no longer has to conduct a carefully-planned, frustrating seduction of the object of his fancy, nervously reminding himself that "she wants it as much as I do." Nowadays, all a man expects to do is exchange greetings and a few key political words, and there she will be, assuming the basic gynecological examination position.

The attraction is more than skin deep.

A liberated woman is necessarily a strong woman, and that means, to many men, an invulnerable woman, one who doesn't need emotional support, affection, time, or concern.

Wham, bam, thank you ma'am.
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Nothing Sexy

There is nothing sexy about the liberation of any oppressed group.

Rosa Parks didn't sit in the front section of a city bus and spark the civil rights movement to be sexy; she sat down because she was tired.

A ghetto welfare mother is not bothered with dreams of free love; she is worried about her children dying of rat bites.

The definition of the women's movement in terms of sexuality is a dangerous obfuscation of the real issues, dangerous for both men and women, because it couches a language of sexual attitudes which it is essential to discredit in a new and acceptable vocabulary. So far the women's movement has liberated men into a revolutionary expression of the same old attitudes of phallic dominance. The women's movement, I reiterate, is non-(physically) sexual. It is not that the corresponding sexual revolution does not have merit, it is that it has nothing to do, in essence, with the movement to liberate women.

Letters

To the editor:
Last week, the Dean of Students sent a memo to each dorm listing the names of students living in Madison "for our information." Questioning the absurdity of this act, we would like to list for YOUR information: the names of students

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CRUZ, Zoila (Tequila)
DAY, Rebecca (Bunk)
EASTWOOD, Lynn (Frances)
GOODMAN, JoAnne (JoJo)
HADEM, Mary Beth (The Poet)
HUXLER, Christine (Pooh)
LADD, Patricia (Available)
ORR, Audrey (Mae)
SCANDLING, Joanne (Scandalous)
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N.O.W. chapter nominates Liz Clark as president

by Joan McAllister

Liz Clark, chairperson of the department of religion, is president of the newly chartered Fredericksburg Chapter of the National Organization of Women, N.O.W. This fact is probably not as much a surprise to the Mary Washington community as it is to Clark.

Most students are aware of Clark's interest in the women's liberation movement either from taking a hearing about her course "Women in the Western Religious Tradition" — to be offered again next semester. Also, Clark is known on campus by some for her provocative consideration of Jesus and the women's movement — a topic she has discussed in a Trinkle Library Seminar.

Scholarly Approach

As for Clark herself, she comments, "I'm a little surprised at my role as President of this chapter because over the years I have been reading books in my study by myself on women's liberation. A scholarly approach toward a subject is more my style by nature."

By Clark's own account she has been into the women's movement since she was in college — Vassar in the 1950's. In fact, when Clark first came to Mary Washington, she delivered to a group of students a speech entitled "De-mystifying the Feminine Mystique." This speech was given soon after Betty Friedan's "The Feminine Mystique" — often considered the "Bible" of the women's movement — was published in the early 1960's.

"I attended Vassar in the 1950's — not a good time for women. But at Vassar, women have always been expected to make something of themselves.

When the women's movement came along, I fell right in," said Clark.

Women of All Backgrounds

Concerning the Fredericksburg chapter of N.O.W., Clark stressed that she would like to see women of all backgrounds join. "In August, at the first meeting, I was happy to see hardly anyone I knew — which is good. I think it would be bad for the Chapter if it gained the reputation of being only for college educated women," said Clark.

Clark said she would like to see the chapter include working women, housewives and college women. Presently the chapter is holding meetings the second Monday evening of every month in ACL.

As for the image that N.O.W. has gained over the years as being one of the more militant women's organizations, Clark commented, "N.O.W. has always said it is interested in all aspects of the women's movement. It is very middle of the road and seeks to deal with all the issues. It is not 'man-hating' as are some women's organizations."

"We have all types of women — some married, some elderly. I think one problem is that in the Fredericksburg area people are not used to hearing women speak up, as we are doing," said Clark.

Media Help

Interestingly, although Fredericksburg may not be as welcoming as some other areas to an organization such as N.O.W., the media has helped gain recognition for the budding chapter. Clark has been interviewed by the newspaper and on talk shows.

The real center of local N.O.W. chapters is task force

action said Clark. Clark does not foresee any political action by the chapter in the near future.

"First we have to get settled and then we can look into political action," said Clark. N.O.W. chapters do not ordinarily endorse candidates, but may put together forums on subjects pertinent to the women's movement such as child care and abortion. Clark hopes that in the future the Fredericksburg chapter could nominate and back local women candidates.

Task force work involves setting up certain areas of study such as credit for women, rape crisis centers, and sex stereotyping in local schools. According to Clark, the Washington, D.C. chapter, of which she is still a member, has been successful in monitoring television programs and in some instances forcing station format changes.

Last week the Northern Virginia chapter's Chairperson of the Task Force on Consciousness Raising visited with some of the officers of the Fredericksburg chapter to give suggestions on how to set up a local Task Force on Consciousness Raising. "We hope to really get people interested in this. Right now the women in the chapter are at different stages in their understanding of women's liberation. Once everyone is thinking on the same lines it will be easier to start projects."

The next N.O.W. meeting will be October 14 when Mary Jo Parrish will speak on "Future Trends in Reproduction: Is Sex Obsolete?" Susan Sojourner, owner of a Washington, D.C. feminist bookstore will present a display of feminist books and literature. The feature lecture topic for the November 11 meeting is "Self Defense for Women."

Editorial

Title IX illuminates Mary Washington's opportunities

In recent months college women in growing numbers have been voicing their complaints of the discrimination against women in the athletic programs at their schools. With the enactment of Title IX (see story p. 8) college women now have the legal force to make their protests heard.

The students of Mary Washington may be unconcerned with this issue because it does not directly affect them. At Mary Washington students are given ample encouragement and opportunities to participate in sports through both intercollegiate and intramural programs.

However, there seems to be a general disinterest by the majority of the students in any kind of sports, individual as well as team. Sports events are sparsely attended and the players gain little recognition. For example, seven members of the Mary Washington swim team went to the Virginia State Finals last spring with little support from the student body.

Here at Mary Washington, students are taking for granted what other college students are fighting to attain. It is deplorable that the facilities at Goolrick are so under utilized and unappreciated. Most colleges cannot allow non-students to use their facilities because they are utilized to their capacity by students. In Goolrick, on weekends there often appears to be more guests than students, and while it is nice to have guest privileges, it is distressing to see what appears to be an entire University of Virginia fraternity monopolizing the basketball court.

It is hard to understand why Goolrick stands empty night after night. Women more and more are realizing the healthy benefits of being physically active.

It was the women's colleges such as Vassar and Wellesley which first encouraged their students to be physically active. These colleges dispelled the then prevalent theory that women did not have the physical strength or stamina to endure the rigors of achieving a college education. Women have been earning their college degrees for many years now without any signs of physical ill-effects.

As an outgrowth of Title IX, it is coming to light that many colleges continue to discourage women from engaging in vigorous exercise. At Mary Washington students have the facilities and opportunities to be healthier and stronger. Mary Washington students have an obligation to their bodies and their minds to be physically fit.

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Freshmen Cite Academic Reputation

Reprinted from MWC Today

The results of a survey conducted last August at Mary Washington College by the American Council on Education (ACE) has shown that more than eighty per cent of incoming freshmen chose to attend Mary Washington because of "its good academic reputation." The survey also showed that freshmen entering Mary Washington in August tended to

be 18 years of age, Caucasian, native-born Americans, who were 1973 graduates from high school where they tended to earn grades slightly higher than those earned by their peers attending colleges nationwide.

The questionnaire survey, which was answered by 601 of the 640 incoming students, was conducted during freshman orientation preceding the opening of school for the 1973-74 session. According to A. Ray Merchant, Vice President of the College and Director of Institutional Studies, the survey was undertaken so that "certain demographic information about students enrolling at the College could be obtained and then compared to the national norm" as determined by a composite ACE survey.

The survey suggested that the freshman class, although a little more conservative than other freshman classes around the nation, still appeared to be typical in many ways to their peers attending other colleges. One summary of the survey said that "the Mary Washington College freshmen have similar ideas to the national group about political trends and social movements. One possible exception

is the fact that MWC freshmen did not place as much weight on the speed of the government's move to desegregate as did the national norm. The MWC freshman tended more toward a self-reported conservative political orientation than was true nationally."

The Mary Washington College class did tend to come from more financially affluent families, the report said, and the parents of the students had attained formal education at a higher level than parents of freshmen at other colleges.

In listing the primary reasons for attending Mary Washington College 80.9 per cent of the freshmen mentioned its good academic reputation as being a deciding factor. The report said 32.9 per cent mentioned the College's provision for living away from home, 29.7 per cent mentioned its special educational programs, and 25 per cent mentioned the College's low tuition. Other reasons listed included advice from the College's alumni, from parents, teachers, or guidance counselors, or the College's offer of financial assistance.

It was discovered by the ACE survey that approximately half of the freshmen applied either exclusively to Mary Washington College or to MWC and only one other college. Also, the survey found that more than two-thirds

of the freshmen lived within a hundred miles of the College, primarily in the Richmond, Tidewater, Northern Virginia and Fredericksburg areas.

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but no real problems were encountered. Most wild animals are more interested in finding food rather than harming people, said Byrd.

Byrd noted the serenity of the mountain trails helped him to "get his head together" and allowed him to make many new friends. He said he liked the fraternal atmosphere where people stop thinking about just themselves and start thinking about each other.

During each summer, Byrd likes to take some trip that differs from others he has taken. His idea for the summer of 1975 is to travel to Australia but nothing is positive.

For the bicentennial summer he would like to take a bicycle trip down U.S. 1 which goes from Maine to Florida. This route would lead him through the major cities participating in the colonial celebration. He said he may try to set up a class for students that would allow them to go on this tour and obtain credit for it.

Byrd has been back packing for three years and said he recommends it for everyone, especially students who Byrd said should take advantage of the mountains nearby.



Leon Bates during his performance last Monday night. The concert was a part of the Mary Washington Concert Series.

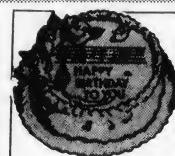
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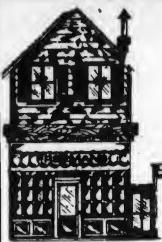
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October 5 — "Walking Tall" — Joe Don Baker portrays a real-life Tennessee sheriff, Buford Pusser, in this action drama.

October 12 — "Where Does It Hurt" — Peter Sellers stars in this comedy-satire about what "really" goes on behind the scenes in a hospital.

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November 16 — "Love and Pain and the Whole Damn Thing" — Comedy about the "adventures" of married life starring Maggie Smith and Timothy Bottoms.

November 23 — "Executive Action" — Research into the assassination of President Kennedy.

December 7 — "The Way We Were" — Romantic love story starring Robert Redford and Barbra Streisand.

What's On

The Afro-American Association will hold a brief meeting on September 19 at 3:30 p.m. in Monroe, Room 13, for all Mary Washington students interested in participating in the organization's annual talent contest scheduled for October 18. For further information, contact Sandra Powell at ext. 505.

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Male students organizing security patrol after attempted assaults on women students

By Mary Beth Donahue

The male students of Mary Washington are organizing a security force after two separate incidents involving attempted assaults on campus.

On Friday night, September 13, four University of Virginia students got out of a U-Haul truck parked on College Avenue, approached a Mary Washington student walking alone, made obscene comments to her and threatened to pull her into the van. The student ran away without getting descriptions of the males or license plate number. On Saturday night, September 14, a Marine attempted to assault patrolling the campus this past weekend.

The male residential students planned a Mary Washington student walking between Russel and Marshall dorms. Although three Marines were brought to the security office for questioning, the student could not identify her assailant.

"All the guys are pretty uptight about this," said Rennie Archibald, a junior counselor in Madison dorm. "We are a close knit community here."

Archibald said that the residents of Madison are unified in their concern over the events of two weekends ago. "We are going to kick ass this weekend. We are out for blood," said Archibald, after the incident. He estimated that over half of the 47 residents of Madison would be involved.

The male residential students planned

to ask any males seen loitering on campus to leave immediately. "Instead of waiting around for something to happen, we are going to prevent trouble if we can," said Scott Sharer, another Madison resident. The male students would be in an organized effort, according to Sharer. He estimated from 20 to 30 male students would be involved.

Bats and chains

Medford Haynes, Chief of Security is not opposed to the male students providing further protection for the women students. However, he stressed that the male students must be organized and work in conjunction with the security force. "They will need instructions on what they should do and what they can't do," said Haynes. "I heard some exaggeration and wild ideas. They can't just go out with baseball bats and chains."

The security police can ask anyone to leave the campus if they have a complaint from one of the students. According to Archibald and Sharer, the male students plan to ask any loiterer they see to leave the campus whether there has been a complaint or not. The Virginia law on habits and practices which prohibits loitering and disorderly conduct was cited as a reason for asking loiterers to leave. "If nothing else we can get them for loitering," said Archibald.

Archibald asked for cooperation from the women students warning that "if she tells a guy to meet her on the steps of a dorm we may have already kicked him off campus before she comes out." The C-Shoppe and dorm parlors were mentioned as acceptable places for males to wait for their dates, according to Archibald.

Haynes, on the other hand, noted how cautious the security police are about asking someone to leave the campus. "We would receive a lot of flack if we asked a girl's invited guest to leave campus. We try to be tactful and find out whether the person really is waiting for someone or merely loitering," said Haynes.

He stressed the danger of taking the law into one's own hands. "Anyone who goes out and takes the law in their own hands, although their intentions may be good, may wind up in jail themselves," said Haynes. "If our boys go out to bust

someone's skull, they may just get their own heads busted or a gang war started. I'd hate to see more trouble caused by our own boys overdoing it," said Haynes.

Smoke cannisters set off

Haynes also questioned whether the male students are sincerely willing to act in conjunction with the security police. He mentioned that the male students had felt they were being harassed when told by the security guards that they were not allowed to drink beer in cans on the porch of Madison dorm. Because of this, smoke cannisters were set off on September 10 and 11 by the male students, according to Haynes.

The Fredericksburg fire department and rescue squad responded to a fire alarm in Willard dorm. One student passed out and was taken to the infirmary. There was no fire; the smoke had been caused by several smoke cannisters set off near the building. The male students were questioned and a half case of unused smoke cannisters was discovered in Madison's basement. The cannisters, used for killing rodents, give off toxic fumes that are potentially fatal.

"If these boys are sincere, they will have to stop these practical jokes. These pranks divert our attention and the rest of the students on campus don't get the protection they are entitled to," said Haynes.

The male students wish to provide an escort service for any female student and also patrol the campus during mixers and keg parties. "We don't want to come across as overprotective, but we find these incidents disgusting," said Archibald.

Identifying arm bands

Haynes is not opposed to this plan but would like the students to wear identifying arm bands. Sharer feels this would defeat their purpose. "If anyone sees us wearing armbands, they're not going to do anything, they'll avoid us," said Sharer. "We hope we can stop some people. We had a lot of trouble last week and we want to avoid it in the future if we can."

The male students would like to see all trucks and vans banned from campus according to Sharer. "It's really getting

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Mary Beth Hatem displays winning form. See story p. 8. (Photo by Faye Jones)

The Real America

Ben Wattenberg — riding the tide of the majority

by Joan McAllister

He certainly does not look like the real America as he sits there with eyebrows raised, gesturing continuously with both hands and thin cigar dangling from his mustachioed mouth. Nevertheless, political people throughout America continue to believe in Ben Wattenberg.

Wattenberg has gained such a reputation as political pulsetaker for the country that even Reader's Digest has been noticed quoting him. And now, Mary Washington, whose political science department for years has been assigning Wattenberg's "The Real Majority" as much as it has Karl Marx's "Communist Manifesto", has Wattenberg himself on campus for the second semester teaching a Wednesday evenings seminar.

Political man

And being the political man that Wattenberg is, his course this semester has changed from last semester simply because of the dramatic change in the national political scene. Wattenberg invents some exam times and a new book added, but Wattenberg's class experience will really be different this semester because of the change in gear from a semester of watching Nixon to a semester watching Ford.

Wattenberg's course — "National Politics at the Firing Line" is listed as "a seminar devoted to exploring the actual world of national politics". Indeed, Wattenberg

was forthright when he gave that description, for Wattenberg would not last long in the academic world of political theory.

Wattenberg is an experience for the student, as he talks about politics from the week before that Wednesday of each class not as politics should be or could be but as politics is. In fact that is what Wattenberg's class basically consists of — a discussion each Wednesday of the political events of the week before, i.e., will Ted Kennedy's latest pronouncement help or hinder his image as Presidential timber?

Whether Wattenberg is demonstrating that evening the techniques of a presidential news conference when he dodges questions with more agility than the past President Nixon he is imitating, or reading a personal memo from Senator Henry (Scoop) Jackson, whose campaign fight he organized in 1972 and is organizing for 1976, Wattenberg is political right down the line.

Writer by trade

Wattenberg's political experience includes speechwriting for President Johnson and co-founding the Coalition for a Democratic Majority. But Wattenberg describes himself as a writer by trade — and rightly so after his well recognized book "The Real Majority".

The Real Majority is Wattenberg's best known campaign manual in the political field.

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